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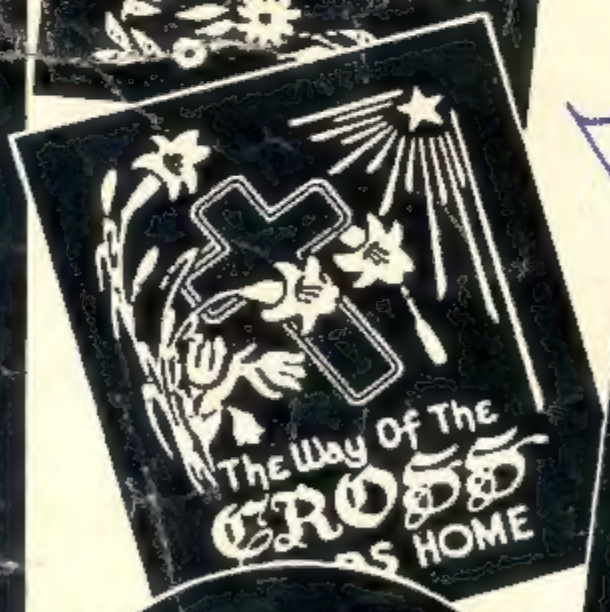

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SGT. BILKO

DOBERMAN. AREN'T YOU FINISHED PRESSING MY PANTS YET?

ALMOST, SARGE.' BOY, IS THIS EXCITING.'

SPY STORIES

SPY STORIES

EXCITING? IF I KNEW YOU LIKED IT THAT MUCH, I'D LET YOU PRESS THEM ALL THE TIME.'

OH, I DIDN'T MEAN THAT PRESSING PANTS WAS EXCITING, SARGE. I'M TALKING ABOUT THIS SPY STORY I'M READING.'

DOBERMAN, NOBODY CAN DO TWO THINGS AT THE SAME TIME. CONCENTRATE ON ***ONE!*** THE PRESSING.'

THIS FELLOW I'M READING ABOUT, COULD, SARGE. HE UNCOVERED A SECRET SPY RING AND BECAME A HERO--TWO THINGS AT THE SAME TIME.' RIGHT?

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WELL, YOU WON'T BE A HERO IF THOSE PANTS AREN'T READY IN TIME. I GOT A DATE WITH MY GIRL FRIEND, SGT. HOGAN, AND I DON'T WANT TO BE LATE! FOR ONCE, I'M GOING TO BE ON TIME!

OKAY, SARGE, I'LL HAVE THEM IN A JIFFY!

HEY, ERNIE, WHAT'S WITH THIS BEING ON TIME? I THOUGHT YOU BELIEVED IN KEEPING THEM WAITING!

WHAT'S WRONG WITH BEING ON TIME? JUST BECAUSE I'VE BEEN LATE ALL MY LIFE WITH DATES, DOESN'T MAKE IT RIGHT, DOES IT?

A GIRL RESPECTS A MAN MORE IF HE KEEPS HIS WORD. I SAID I'D PICK HER UP AT EIGHT O'CLOCK, AND THAT'S JUST WHAT I'LL DO!

OKAY, SARGE, GOOD FOR YOU! AT LEAST YOU'RE TRYING!

BESIDES, JOAN TOLD ME LAST TIME THAT IF I WAS LATE JUST ONCE MORE, ***WE'RE THROUGH!***

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MEANWHILE...

OH, COLONEL! WE JUST RECEIVED A MESSAGE THAT A CAPT. LEWIS FROM THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE WILL BE VISITING OUR POST FOR A FEW DAYS!

STRATEGIC DEFENSE, SGT. HOGAN? WHAT DOES HE WANT HERE? NOBODY WOULD EVER WANT TO STEAL THIS POST! BESIDES, HOW COULD THEY EVER FIND IT?

WELL, I CAN'T WAIT FOR HIM. IF HE ARRIVES LATER, I'LL BE AT HOME. MRS. HALL AND I HAVE A BRIDGE GAME TONIGHT. I'VE GOT TO GET HOME EARLY AND PRACTISE SOME BIDS.

VERY WELL, COLONEL. GOOD NIGHT.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE ! SIGH! THAT'S THE SORT OF THING ERNIE BILKO SHOULD BE IN, INSTEAD OF THAT MOTOR POOL!

AHEM! CAN YOU DIRECT ME TO COL. HALL? I'M CAPT. LEWIS.

OH, CAPTAIN, COLONEL HALL COULDN'T WAIT. HE HAD TO LEAVE EARLY.

HE SAID YOU COULD DROP IN ON HIM IF YOU LIKE. I'M LEAVING NOW... I CAN POINT OUT HIS HOUSE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SERGEANT!

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE! THAT SOUNDS LIKE VERY INTERESTING WORK, CAPTAIN.

OH, IT HAS ITS POINTS.

DON'T TELL ME WE HAVE ***SPIES*** AT FORT BAXTER!

HA-HA, I WOULDN'T BE AT ALL SURPRISED! AND YOU'RE THE RING-LEADER, SERGEANT!

NO, I'M AFRAID THIS TRIP WON'T BE AT ALL EXCITING. I'M JUST DOWN HERE TO MAKE A SURVEY. ROUTINE!

OH!

HOW DO I LOOK? OKAY?

GREAT, SARGE, AND YOU STILL GOT FIVE MINUTES TO BE ON TIME.

HEY, SARGE, CAN I GO WITH YOU? I NEVER HAVE A DATE.'

SORRY, DOBERMAN.' IF I TOOK YOU ALONG, SGT. HOGAN WOULD SPEND THE WHOLE EVENING DANCING WITH YOU, AND I'D BE A WALLFLOWER.'

BUT, SARGE--I DON'T KNOW HOW TO DANCE. I NEVER EVEN TOOK A LESSON.'

BELIEVE ME, DOBERMAN-- STICK TO THE *SPY STORIES*-- IT'S MORE EXCITING.'

MAYBE IF I'M EARLY TONIGHT, JOAN WILL BE SO HAPPY, SHE'LL SETTLE FOR A CHEAP EVENING.'

AT LEAST I'M LUCKY SHE DOESN'T GO FOR OTHER GUYS.' A GAL WITH HER LOOKS COULD MAKE IT LOTS TOUGHER FOR A GUY LIKE ME.'

HUH? WAIT.' THAT'S JOAN--TALKING TO AN OFFICER.' WHAT GIVES HERE?

AHEM! AM I INTERRUPTING?

OH, ERNIE, YOU'RE EARLY!

EARLY? BUT I THOUGHT WE HAD AN APPOINTMENT FOR 8 O'CLOCK! HOWEVER, IF YOU'RE BUSY--

DON'T BE SILLY! I WAS TALKING TO CAPT. LEWIS--HE'S VISITING THIS POST FOR A FEW DAYS.

CAPT. LEWIS IS FROM THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE. THIS IS SGT. BILKO, CAPTAIN-- MOTOR POOL.

GLAD TO KNOW YOU, SERGEANT.

MY PLEASURE, CAPTAIN.

I'M SURE YOU'LL FIND EVERYTHING IN GOOD ORDER AT THIS POST, SIR. COL. HALL IS A GOOD MAN. HIS MEN WOULD FOLLOW HIM THROUGH FIRE.

I'M SURE IT IS, SERGEANT. I'M JUST HERE ON A ROUTINE INSPECTION.

WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR HELP, SGT. HOGAN. NICE TO HAVE MET YOU, SGT. BILKO.

NOT AT ALL, CAPTAIN. REMEMBER, IT'S THE FIRST HOUSE ON YOUR RIGHT.

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GOT A NEW ADMIRER!

ARE YOU KIDDING? I JUST MET HIM.

JUST MET HIM? LOOKED TO ME LIKE YOU WERE TAKING A NICE COZY STROLL TOGETHER!

WHAT? LISTEN, HE WANTED TO SEE THE COLONEL AND I OFFERED TO POINT OUT HIS HOUSE. ANYTHING **WRONG** IN THAT?

WHAT'S HE DOING DOWN HERE, ANYWAY? HE'S NOT FOOLING ME WITH THIS ROUTINE INSPECTION BIT! NOT THAT FELLOW!

REALLY? THEN YOU THINK HE'S ON TO SOME-THING,, TOO!

IT SOUNDS SO EXCITING! AND JUST THINK, ERNIE--IF YOU WANTED TO, YOU COULD HAVE A JOB LIKE THAT!

I GOT A JOB--RUNNING A MOTOR POOL!

OH, A DIRTY OLD MOTOR POOL! HOW CAN YOU COMPARE THAT WITH SOMETHING GLAMOROUS AND EXCITING LIKE THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE!?

SAY, WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU? YOU FLIPPED OR SOMETHING? I'M **HAPPY** WITH MY JOB!

COME TO THINK ABOUT IT, IF THAT GUY'S GONNA START SNOOPING AROUND MY MOTOR POOL, I BETTER BE PREPARED. BE RIGHT BACK, JOAN--I JUST WANNA WARN MY BOYS!

BUT-- ERNIE--

SARGE, YOU BACK ALREADY? WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR DATE?

YEAH, DID YOU SPEND ALL YOUR MONEY SO SOON? OR DID YOU JUST THINK ABOUT IT?

OH, BITE YOUR TONGUE! MONEY ISN'T EVERYTHING! LISTEN YOU GUYS, I'VE GOT WORK FOR YOU!

IF IT AIN'T MONEY, IT'S WORK!

RACING NEWS

THERE'S A CAPTAIN DOWN HERE FROM THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE. I WANT HIM FOLLOWED!

YOU WANT HIM *WHAT?*

YOU HEARD ME-- *TAILED, FOLLOWED!* I WANT HIS EVERY MOVE CHECKED! I WANNA KNOW WHAT HE'S UP TO!

BUT, ERNIE, WHAT DO YOU CARE WHAT HE'S UP TO? THAT'S HIS DEPARTMENT! YOU'RE NO DETECTIVE!

MAYBE NOT-- BUT, I'M *GONNA* BE! I'LL SHOW HER!

SHOW *WHO?* IS THERE A DAME MIXED UP IN THIS?

WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO, SARGE? I'LL VOLUNTEER!

IT'S JOANNIE! SHE'S FLIPPED OVER THIS GUY! THINKS HE'S GLAMOROUS! I'LL PUT A CRIMP IN HIS STYLE! MAYBE SLOW HIM DOWN ON THE CASE HE'S ON!

I GOTTA BETTER IDEA, SARGE. WHY DON'T YOU SOLVE THE CASE YOURSELF? THEN *YOU'LL* BE A HERO, JUST LIKE IN THIS BOOK!

SPY STORIES

HUH? WHAT'S THAT? DOBERMAN, YOU'RE A GENIUS!

GEE, THANKS, SARGE!

GIMME THAT BOOK YOU'RE READING!

HERE YOU ARE, SARGE! YOU'LL LIKE IT! EVERYBODY GETS ALL SHOT UP!

BUT, ERNIE—THIS IS NO TIME TO BE READING A STORY! YOU GOT JOAN WAITING! YOU WANTED TO BE ON TIME THIS TIME, REMEMBER?

SURE I DID—BUT THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT! I GOTTA SEE HOW THESE GUYS OPERATE! SHE CAN WAIT!

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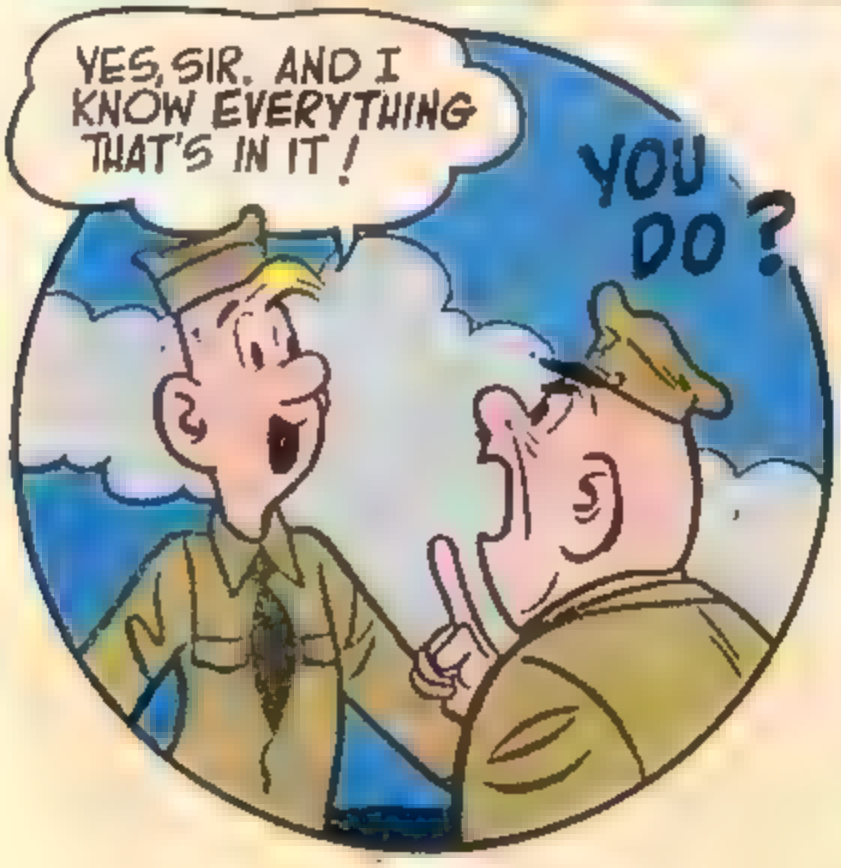

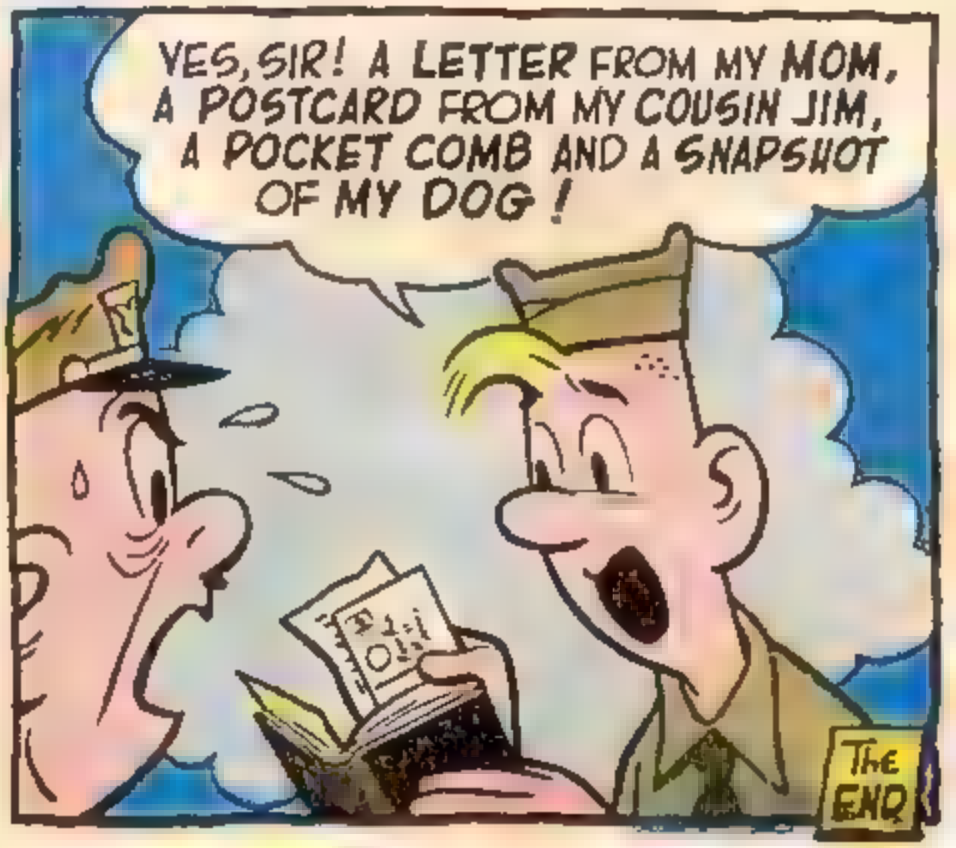

SGT. BILKO

WELL, ERNIE, HOW DID YOU DO ON YOUR DATE WITH SGT. HOGAN?

WHAT DATE? SHE WASN'T THERE. GOT TIRED OF WAITING, I GUESS, AND LEFT, STEAMED. BUT DON'T WORRY! WHEN I SHOW UP THAT CAPT. LEWIS, SHE'LL COME AROUND.

ALL I GOTTA DO IS PLANT SOME FALSE TRAILS FOR HIM TO FOLLOW!

FALSE TRAILS, ERNIE? FOR CAPT. LEWIS? WHY? I DON'T GETCHA!

IT'S SIMPLE! TO GET HIM OFF THE TRACKS OF THE REAL SPY RING HE'S AFTER! THEN I STEP IN, AND CLEAR UP THE WHOLE THING!

WAIT A MINUTE, ERNIE! HOLD IT! YOU FLIPPED OR SOMETHING?

SERGEANT BILKO

WHAT'S WITH YOU AND THE REAL SPY RING? YOU GOING TO ROUND UP SOME REAL SPIES?

THAT'S RIGHT. SGT. HOGAN THINKS IT'S SUCH A DANGEROUS JOB. I'LL SHOW HER THERE'S NOTH NG TO IT.

IF THAT JOKER FROM THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE CAN DO IT, WHY NOT ME? THERE'S NOTHING TO IT.

NOTHING BUT TEN YEARS IN THE GUARD HOUSE, THAT'S ALL. YOU NEVER SHOULD HAVE READ DOBERMAN'S SPY BOOK, SARGE! YOUR RACKET IS PLAYING WITH PISTON RINGS, NOT SPY RINGS.

YOU GOTTA REALIZE YOU'RE BUCKING AN OFFICER, ERNIE. AT THAT LEVEL HE CAN GET INFORMATION YOU'LL NEVER GET.

INFORMATION. THAT'S IT.

THE OLD MAN WILL HAVE TO KNOW WHAT CAPTAIN LEWIS IS UP TO. I'LL LET HIM HELP ME.

SHOWER

YOU GONNA GET COL. HALL TO HELP YOU? WAIT, I BETTER TAKE A SHOWER, TOO. MAYBE I HEAR BETTER UNDER WATER.

NEXT DAY...

SGT. BILKO TO SEE ME? TELL HIM I'M BUSY--

BUT, COLONEL, HE SAYS IT'S IMPORTANT.

AH, COLONEL, HOW GOOD IT IS TO SEE YOU. AND MAY I CONGRATULATE YOU, SIR, FOR OPERATING SO COOLLY AND EFFICIENTLY DESPITE THIS TERRIBLE STRAIN YOU'RE UNDER.

STRAIN, BILKO? WHAT STRAIN?

SERGEANT BILKO

HA-HA! VERY COOL, SIR, I MUST ADMIT! BUT YOU CAN'T FOOL ME, SIR! WE'RE BOTH AWARE OF THE REAL REASON CAPT. LEWIS IS HERE AT FORT BAXTER!

REAL REASON? OF COURSE! A SURVEY, BILKO. JUST ROUTINE!

YES, INDEED! HA HA! ANYWAY, THAT'S WHAT HE WANTS US TO BELIEVE, BUT WE'RE NOT BITING, ARE WE, SIR?

NOT BITING? WELL, NO, BILKO, THAT IS, I MEAN- WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, BILKO?

IT SEEMS A MAN IS NEVER SECURE IN HIS JOB, SIR, NO MATTER HOW LOYAL HE IS TO THE SERVICE -- NO MATTER HOW MUCH HIS MEN LOVE HIM! IT'S A PITY YOU'RE NOT SECURE FROM SUCH PETTY JEALOUSIES, SIR-

WHAT?

BUT DON'T WORRY, SIR. WE'LL DO OUR BEST TO SEE THAT YOU'RE NOT REPLACED BY A YOUNGER MAN! WHY, YOU'RE WORTH TWENTY OF THESE YOUNG SNIPS, SIR!

REPLACED? ME? BUT--BUT--

CONFOUND IT, BILKO, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? I HAVEN'T HEARD A THING ABOUT BEING REPLACED! IF YOU KNOW SOMETHING--

IT'S VERY OBVIOUS, SIR. A TIMEWORN APPROACH. THEY SEND A MAN DOWN HERE TO PRETEND HE'S ON A ROUTINE SURVEY-- HE GAINS YOUR CONFIDENCE--TALKS TO THE MEN--ASKS QUESTIONS--

WHILE ALL THE TIME HE'S BAITING A TRAP, SIR! TO SEE HOW ALERT YOU ARE! THE PENTAGON CAN'T AFFORD SLOPPY WORK WHEN IT COMES TO HARBORING SPIES, SIR!

WHAT? SPIES? HERE? AT FORT BAXTER?

SERGEANT BILKO

I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU, SIR. WHAT ELSE WOULD BRING A MAN FROM THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE DOWN HERE? I DARE SAY CAPT. LEWIS HASN'T DARED TELL YOU ABOUT THE SPY RING, HAS HE? NATURALLY NOT!

WELL, NO, BILKO--BUT-- ARE YOU SURE? I MEAN, SPIES?

WE'LL FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE, SIR! IN YOUR IMMORTAL WORDS--"COUNTER ATTACK"! I'VE ALERTED MY MEN. THEY'LL BRING IN THE CLUES DIRECTLY, TO YOU FROM NOW ON. WE'RE HOT ON THE TRAIL, SIR!

BUT--I DON'T UNDERSTAND--WHAT KIND OF SPIES?

BIG ONES, SIR! BUT CLEVER! HA-HA! CAN YOU IMAGINE CAPT. LEWIS' FACE, SIR, WHEN YOU SHOW HIM YOU'RE NOT JUST THE TRAINING OFFICER THEY THINK YOU ARE, BUT ONE EQUALLY WELL VERSED IN THE WAYS OF COUNTER-ESPIONAGE?!

REALLY? WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BILKO, BUT--

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WE'LL HAVE TO HAVE A CODE, SIR! LIKE--"ONE IF BY LAND, AND TWO IF BY SEA!"

WHAT? YOU MEAN THEY'RE PLANNING TO ATTACK THE FORT? BUT WE'RE IN KANSAS! NOWHERE NEAR THE SEA!

BETTER MAKE THAT *THREE* IF BY *AIR*, BILKO! THAT WAY WE'LL COVER *ALL* THE POSSIBILITIES!

VERY GOOD, SIR! BRILLIANT! I KNEW THAT ONCE YOU WERE AWARE OF THE DANGER, YOU WOULD RISE TO IT! THREE IF BY AIR! THAT'S IT, SIR! I'LL GO NOW--MY MEN ARE WAITING!

BY GEORGE, I GUESS I'VE NEVER APPRECIATED BILKO BEFORE! SPIES, EH? WELL, WE'LL SHOW THEM!

SERGEANT BILKO

HOW'D IT GO, ERNIE? WITH THE OLD MAN, I MEAN?

ALL SET. HE'S ON OUR SIDE. YOU GOT THE POLES RIGGED UP LIKE I WANTED? AND THE BLACK PAINT?

RIGHT, ERNIE, HERE THEY ARE! NOW WHAT?

GOOD! I WANT A DETAIL! OKAY, MEN--STEP UP.. HI-YA-HAH!

REMEMBER, FELLOWS, I WANT THOSE TRACKS ALL OVER THE OLD MAN'S CEILING AND ON THE WALLS, TOO! GOT THAT?

RIGHT, SARGE!

BUT SARGE, I CAN'T GO! YOU'RE USING MY SHOES!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT, DUANE. YOU CAN DIP YOUR BARE FEET IN THE PAINT AND WALK ON THE COLONEL'S DESK!

BUT, SARGE--I'LL GET IT ALL DIRTY! HE LIKES HIS DESK CLEAN!

LATER...

GOOD HEAVENS! BILKO WAS RIGHT! THEY'VE COME! I MUST CONTACT HIM AT ONCE!

SERGEANT BILKO

YOU WERE RIGHT, BILKO! THEY'VE STRUCK! LOOK! MY OFFICE HAS BEEN NVADED!

HMMM... YOU RE RIGHT, COLONEL! I WAS AFRAID OF THIS. LOOKS LIKE AN OUTSIDE JOB!

OUTSIDE? BUT THESE TRACKS ARE ON THE INSIDE!

I MEAN FROM *OUTER SPACE*, COLONEL. IF YOU'LL NOTICE, THERE ARE NO TRACKS ON THE FLOOR! EVIDENTLY THESE CREATURES ARE TOO LIGHT FOR OUR GRAVITY!

SPIES FROM OUTER SPACE? WHAT DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD DO, BILKO? CALL THE PENTAGON?

WHAT? AND HAVE THEM THINK YOU CAN'T HANDLE THE SITUATION? HARDLY, SIR! CALL THEM LATER--AFTER YOU'VE CAPTURED THIS SINISTER RING!

I THINK CAPT. LEWIS SHOULD SEE THIS THOUGH, SIR. WE CAN PRETEND TO ENLIST HIS HELP. HE MAY BE FORCED TO SHOW HIS HAND!

GOOD, BILKO. I'LL GET HIM DOWN HERE! HE'LL SEE WE KNOW HOW TO HANDLE SPIES HERE!

THAT'S ALL I KNOW, CAPT. LEWIS. THEY WERE HERE WHEN I CAME INTO MY OFFICE. THE TRACKS, THAT IS. WELL? WHAT DO YOU THINK?

COLONEL, I HARDLY KNOW WHAT TO SAY! THIS ISN'T EXACTLY MY DEPARTMENT, YOU KNOW!

HA-HA! BEGGING THE CAPTAIN'S PARDON, SIR, BUT SURELY THIS EVIDENCE IS IMPORTANT TO THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE? POSSIBLY IT MAY HELP YOUR-- ER-- *ROUTINE* SURVEY, SIR--

SERGEANT BILKO

IN MY OPINION, COLONEL, THESE TRACKS LOOK LIKE SOME SORT OF PRANK!

A PRANK?

THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE MAY REGARD THIS AS SOME SORT OF PRANK, BUT LET ME ASSURE YOU, CAPTAIN, WE KNOW BETTER! COL. HALL HAS BEEN AWARE OF THIS SPY RING FOR SOME TIME--

SPY RING?

EXACTLY! BUT YOU'LL SEE, SIR, COL. HALL HAS BAITED A TRAP FOR THEM--

I HAVE? I MEAN-- HEH-HEH, OH, YES! QUITE RIGHT, BILKO!

IN FACT, WE EXPECT THEM TO STRIKE AGAIN TONIGHT-- BUT THEY WON'T GET AWAY THIS TIME! THIS TIME WE'LL BE READY FOR THEM!

TONIGHT? OH YES-- THAT'S RIGHT, CAPTAIN! YOU'LL SEE! BY TOMORROW, THIS WHOLE THING WILL BE CLEARED UP!

WELL, GOOD LUCK, COLONEL! I HOPE YOU CATCH THEM! AND IF I CAN BE OF ANY ASSISTANCE--

THANK YOU, CAPTAIN! I'M SURE WE CAN HANDLE IT! WE'LL KEEP YOU INFORMED!

BILKO! WHAT TRAP? DID I SET A TRAP?

WELL, NOT EXACTLY, SIR... THAT WAS FOR THE CAPTAIN'S BENEFIT, SIR. BUT DON'T WORRY, SIR! WE'LL ALL STAY ALERT TONIGHT. I'M SURE THEY'LL BE BACK!

WHAT IS IT, JOHN?

I CAN'T SLEEP. BILKO SAID THEY MAY STRIKE TONIGHT!

CLUNK! CLUNK! CLUNK!

SQUISH! SQUISH!

THERE! THEY'VE COME! DO YOU HEAR THAT?

OH, JOHN, THAT'S NOTHING BUT AN OLD TRUCK, PROBABLY!

OLD TRUCK? I DON'T SEE AN OLD TRUCK! IT LOOKS LIKE A *MAN!* BUT IT DOESN'T WALK LIKE A MAN — A MAN WOULDN'T HAVE SUCH FEET, AND MAKE SUCH A HORRIBLE NOISE!

CLUNK! CLUNK! SQUISH!

OF COURSE! BILKO WAS RIGHT! IT'S NOT A MAN! IT'S A CREATURE FROM *OUTER SPACE!*

SMACK!

CLUNK! CLUNK! CLUNK! SQUISH!

I'M GOING AFTER HIM!

JOHN! WAIT!

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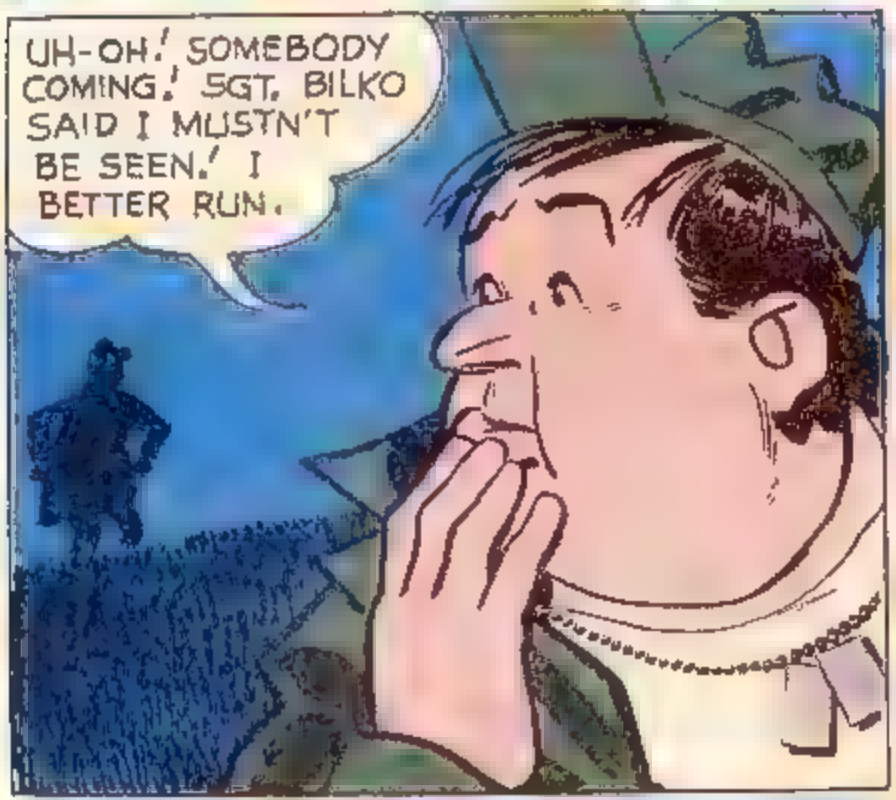

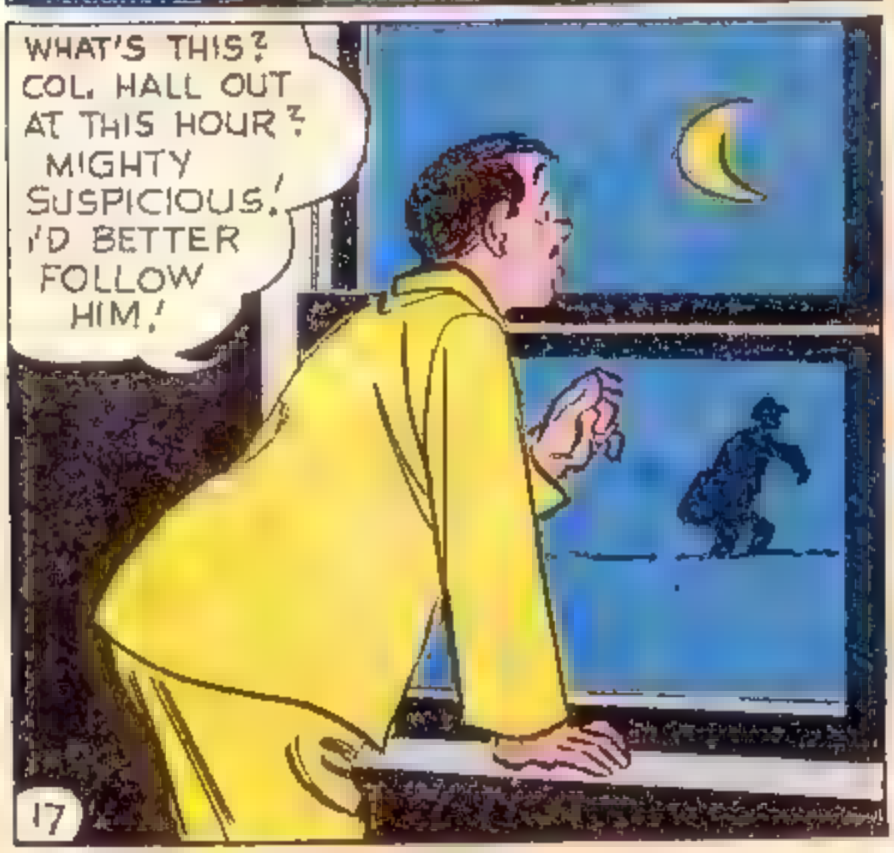

CLUNK! CLUNK!

CLUNK!

UH-OH! HE'S DUCKING INTO THAT SHED!

AHA! GOTCHA!

HEY!

DRAT! IT GOT AWAY!

WAIT A M NUTE! HERE COMES ANOTHER ONE!

GOTCHA!

GOTCHA!

TAKE THAT!

BAM!

GIVE UP?

BIFF!

HUH? WAIT, COL. HALL,

WHAT? HUH? CAPT. LEWIS?

OH FUDGE, I THOUGHT I CAUGHT THE SPY.

ME, TOO.

WELL, TOO BAD! I GUESS WHOEVER IT WAS GOT AWAY.

YES, WELL, COME ALONG, CAPTAIN. I'LL WALK YOU BACK TO YOUR QUARTERS.

WELL, GOOD NIGHT, COLONEL! BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME.'

I HOPE SO! BUT DON'T WORRY.' WE'LL GET 'EM.'

HUH?

THOSE TRACKS.' THE SAME ONES THE SPIES FROM OUTER SPACE MADE IN MY OFFICE.'

I'D BETTER CONTACT BILKO.'

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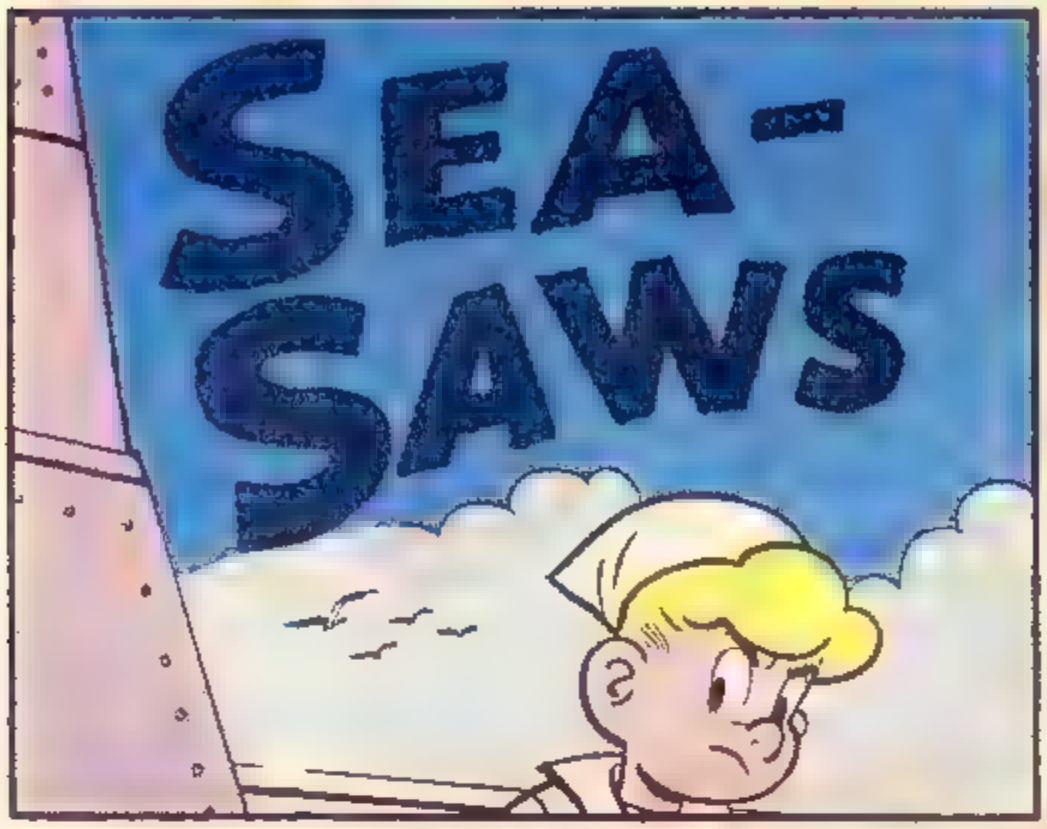
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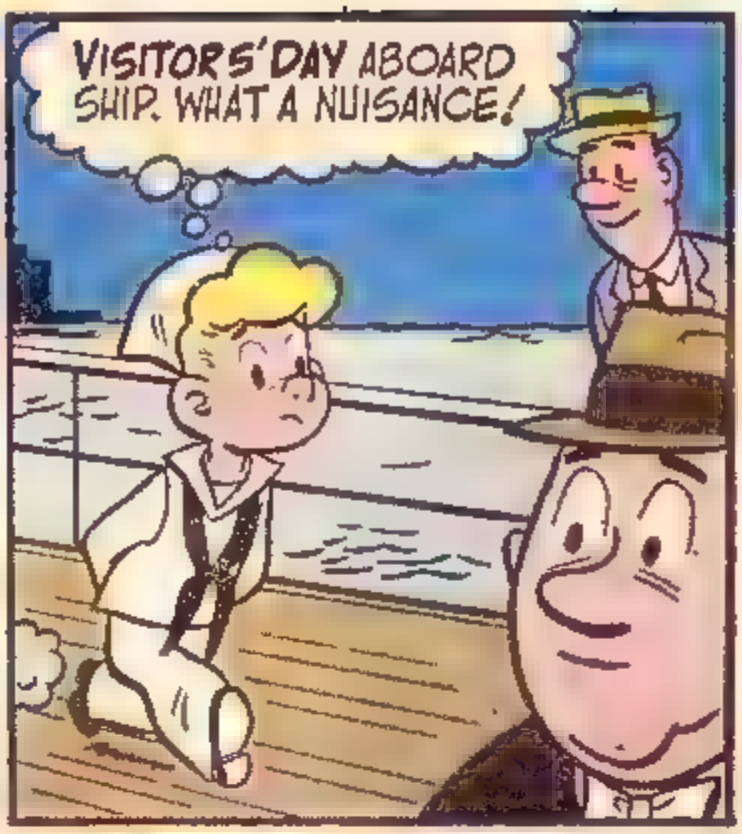
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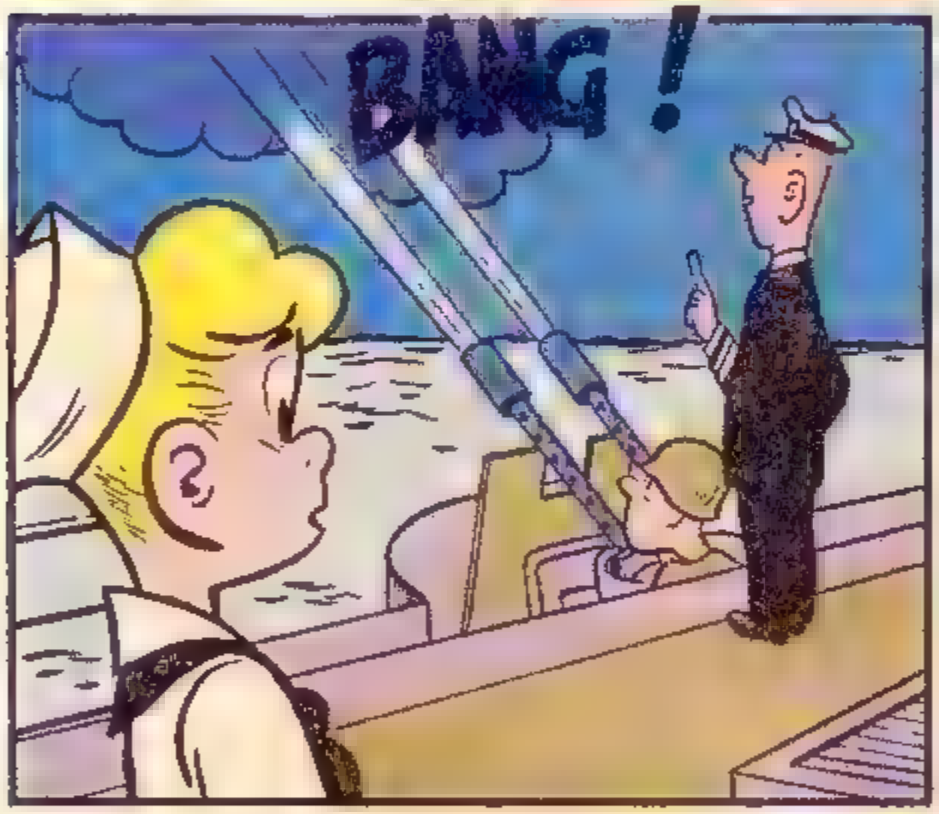
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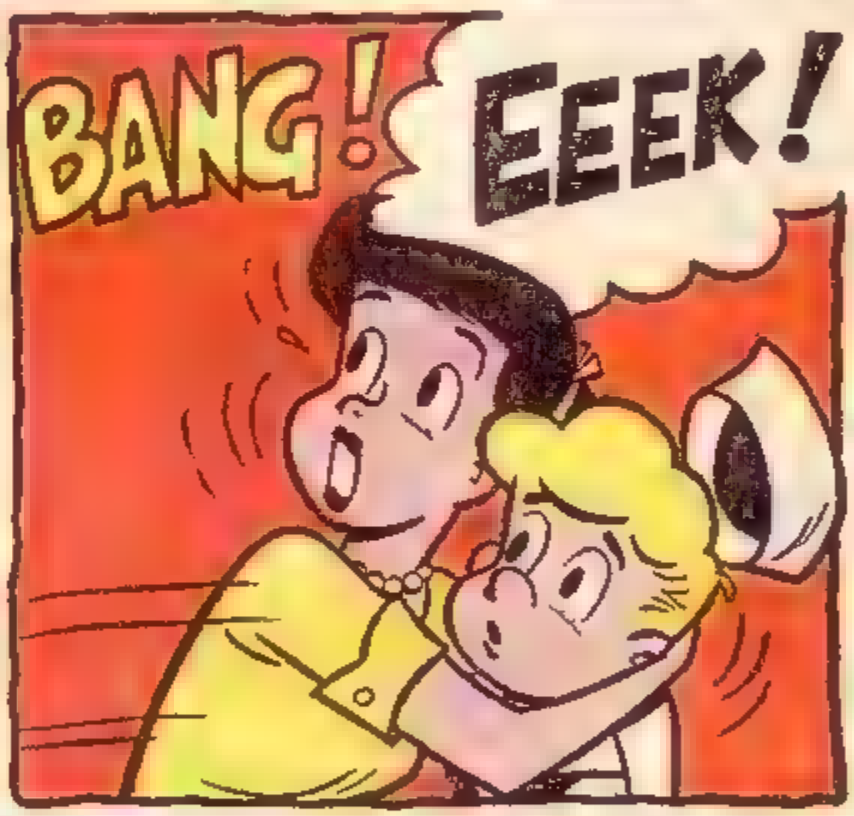
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OH! I WAS FRIGHTENED BY THE GUNS! I BEG YOUR PARDON!
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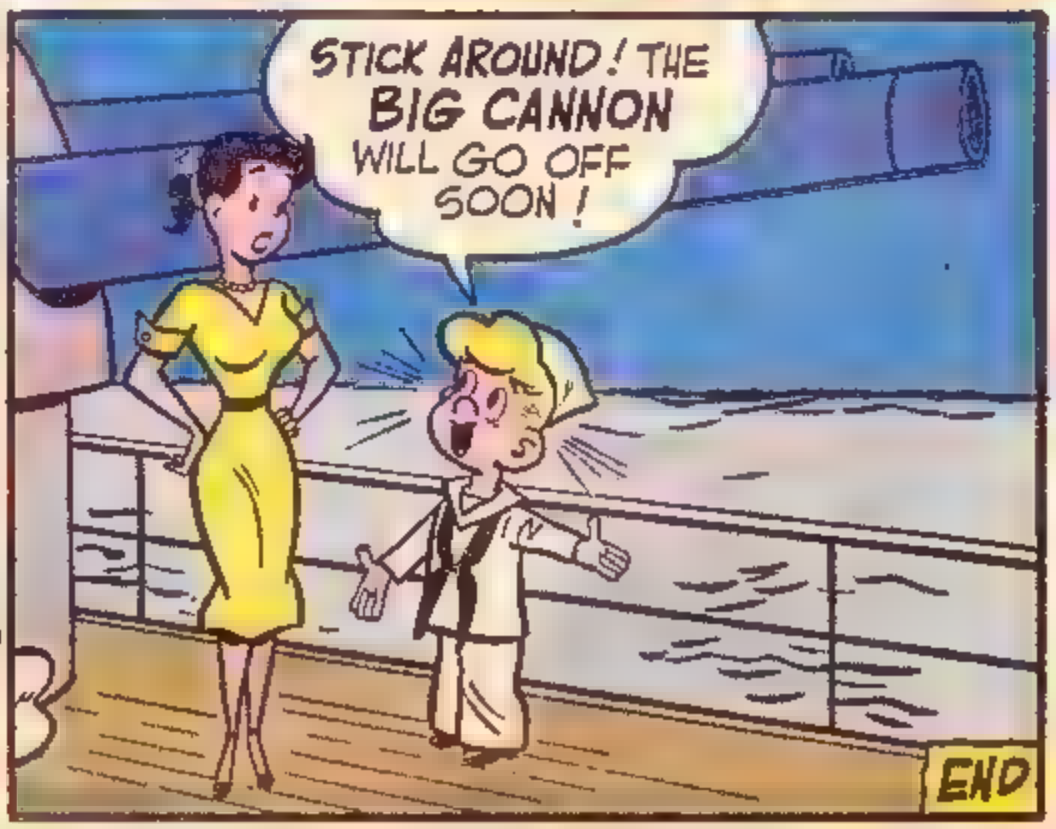
STICK AROUND! THE BIG CANNON WILL GO OFF SOON!
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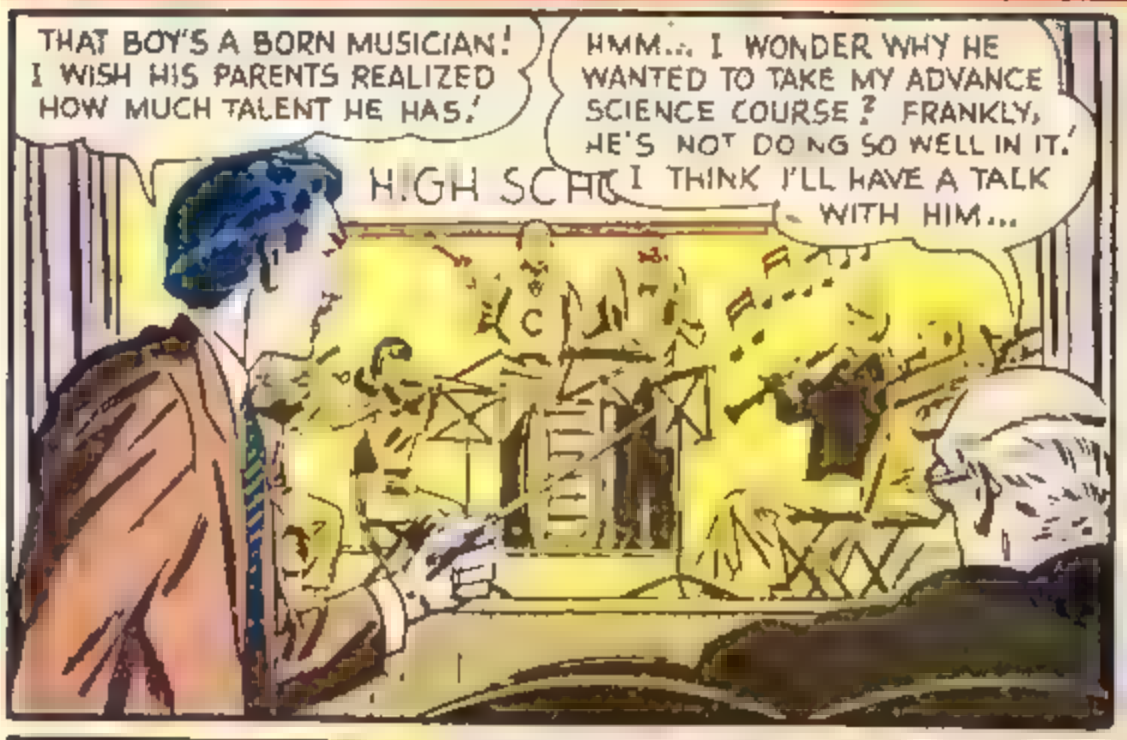
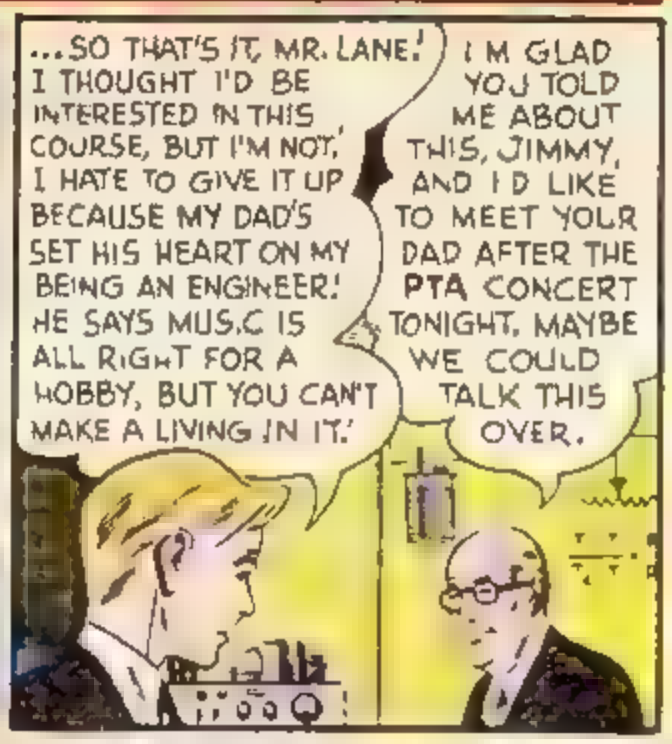
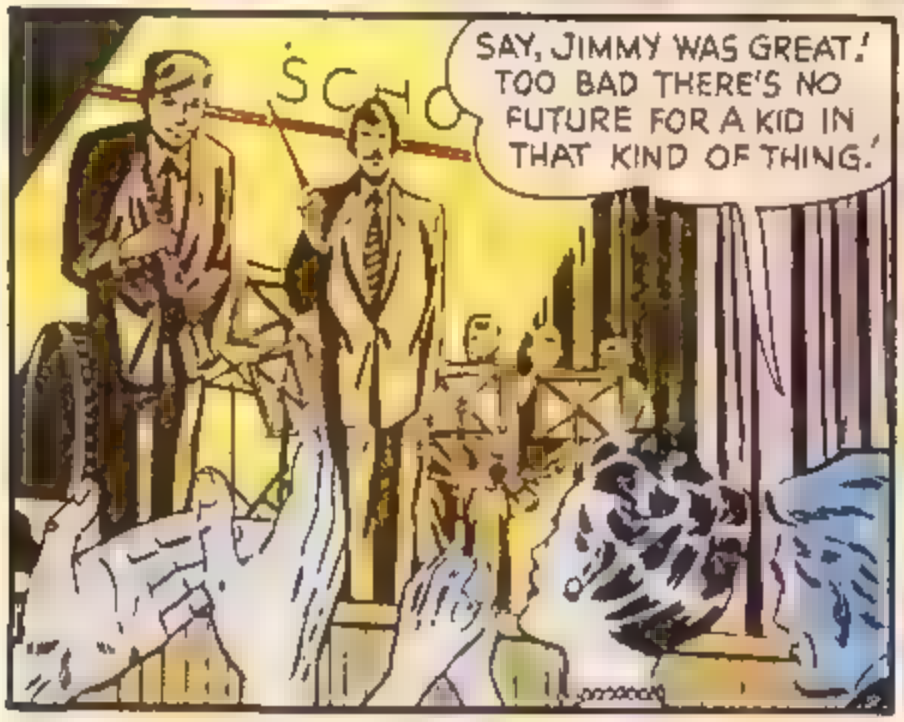
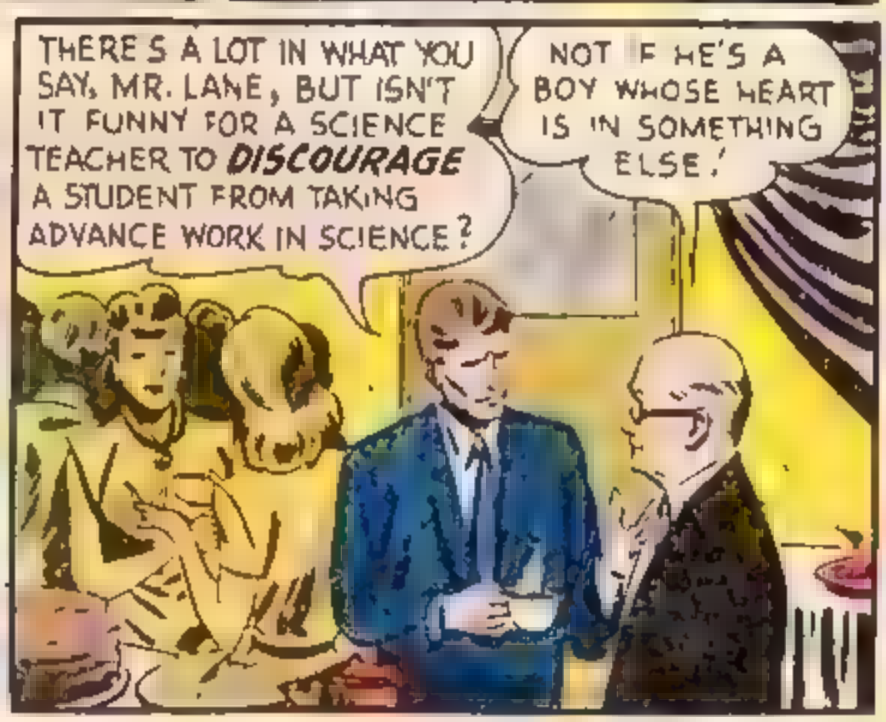
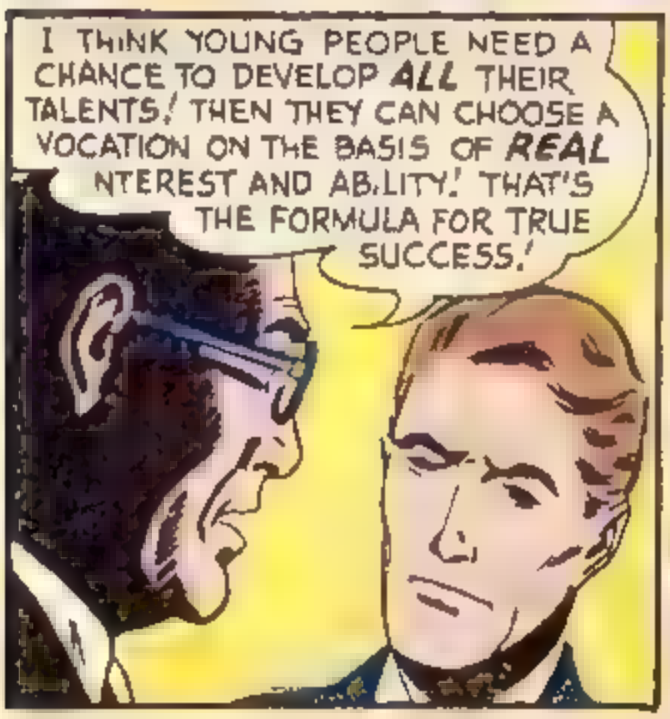
FORMULA for SUCCESS!

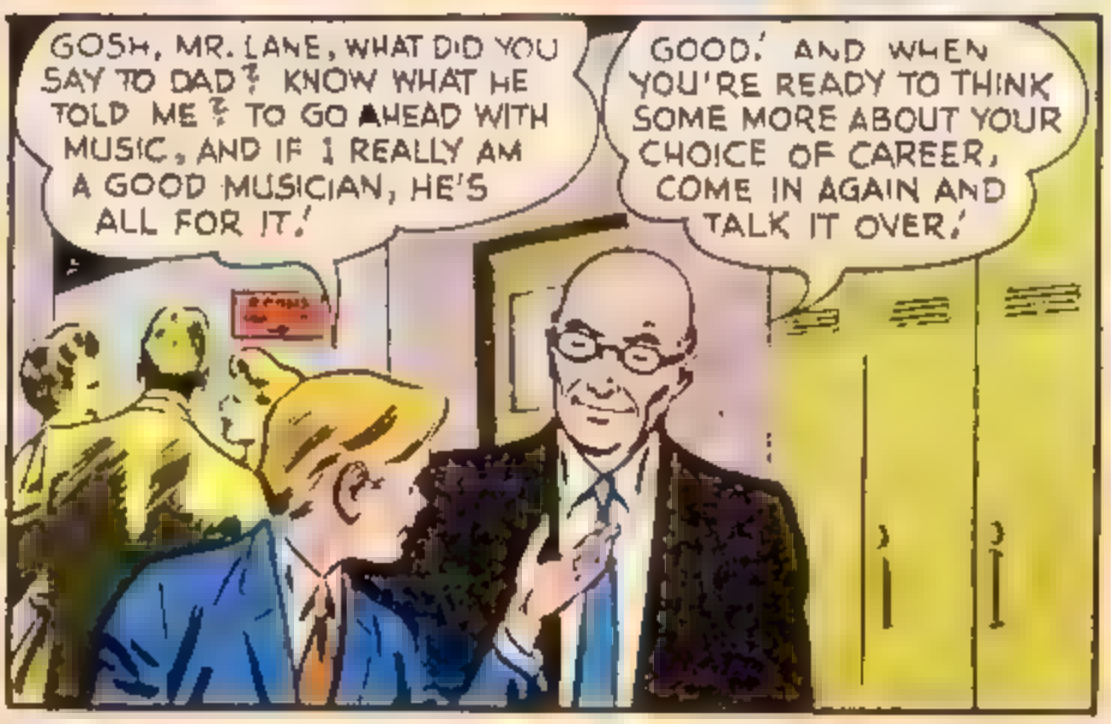

THAT BOY'S A BORN MUSICIAN! I WISH HIS PARENTS REALIZED HOW MUCH TALENT HE HAS!
HMM... I WONDER WHY HE WANTED TO TAKE MY ADVANCE SCIENCE COURSE? FRANKLY, HE'S NOT DOING SO WELL IN IT. I THINK I'LL HAVE A TALK WITH HIM...
HIGH SCHO
MUSIC


...SO THAT'S IT, MR. LANE! I THOUGHT I'D BE INTERESTED IN THIS COURSE, BUT I'M NOT. I HATE TO GIVE IT UP BECAUSE MY DAD'S SET HIS HEART ON MY BEING AN ENGINEER! HE SAYS MUSIC IS ALL RIGHT FOR A HOBBY, BUT YOU CAN'T MAKE A LIVING IN IT.
I'M GLAD YOU TOLD ME ABOUT THIS, JIMMY, AND I'D LIKE TO MEET YOUR DAD AFTER THE PTA CONCERT TONIGHT. MAYBE WE COULD TALK THIS OVER.




THERE'S A LOT IN WHAT YOU SAY, MR. LANE, BUT ISN'T IT FUNNY FOR A SCIENCE TEACHER TO DISCOURAGE A STUDENT FROM TAKING ADVANCE WORK IN SCIENCE?
NOT IF HE'S A BOY WHOSE HEART IS IN SOMETHING ELSE!


I THINK YOUNG PEOPLE NEED A CHANCE TO DEVELOP ALL THEIR TALENTS! THEN THEY CAN CHOOSE A VOCATION ON THE BASIS OF REAL INTEREST AND ABILITY! THAT'S THE FORMULA FOR TRUE SUCCESS!


GOSH, MR. LANE, WHAT DID YOU SAY TO DAD? KNOW WHAT HE TOLD ME? TO GO AHEAD WITH MUSIC, AND IF I REALLY AM A GOOD MUSICIAN, HE'S ALL FOR IT!
GOOD! AND WHEN YOU'RE READY TO THINK SOME MORE ABOUT YOUR CHOICE OF CAREER, COME IN AGAIN AND TALK IT OVER!

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SGT. BILKO

SGT. BILKO! SGT. BILKO! I'VE GOT HIM! I'VE GOT HIM!

WHAT'S WITH THE OLD MAN?

LOOKS LIKE HE'S BEEN HERE TOO LONG! HE'S FLIPPED!

OH BILKO! THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE HERE!

HUH? COL. HALL? W-WHAT--

QUICK, BILKO! THERE'S NO TIME TO WASTE! WE'VE GOT HIM DEAD TO RIGHTS! COME ON!

GOT HIM? GOT WHO, SIR?

WHO? *THE SPY*--THE ONE FROM OUTER SPACE-- *THAT'S* WHO! THE ONE WHO LEFT THE *FOOTPRINTS* IN MY OFFICE!

WHAT, SIR? ARE YOU SURE?

OF COURSE I'M SURE! AND YOU'LL NEVER GUESS WHO IT IS! BY GEORGE, THEY'RE A LOT CLEVERER THAN WE THOUGHT! THIS SPY IS A *GENIUS!*

HE IS, SIR? =GULP= AND THE COLONEL SAYS HE KNOWS WHO--

OF COURSE I KNOW! IT'S THAT CAPT. LEWIS-- *THAT'S* WHO!

CAPT. LEWIS? ARE YOU SURE, SIR? I MEAN--WELL--AFTER ALL, HE IS AN OFFICER IN STRATEGIC DEFENSE--

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC *SPYING*, YOU MEAN! THAT MAN IS A FRAUD, BILKO! I SAW THOSE SAME FOOTPRINTS THAT I SAW IN MY OFFICE, LEADING RIGHT TO HIS QUARTERS!

ARE YOU SURE, SIR? I MEAN--LET'S NOT BE HASTY--

CONFOUND IT, BILKO! STOP ASKING ME IF I'M SURE! *OF COURSE* I M SURE! I M *SURE* I M SURE! WELL?

IT'S JUST THAT POSSIBLY THE SPIES MADE THOSE TRACKS GOING TO VISIT CAPT. LEWIS, SR--

WHAT? GOOD HEAVENS! BILKO, IF YOU'RE RIGHT, THEY'VE GOT HIM! THEY KNEW HE WAS ON TO THEM!

WELL, I DOUBT IT, SIR, BUT IT WON'T HURT TO TAKE A LOOK--

CLUMP! CLUMP! CLUMP!

IT'S TOO LATE! THEY'RE HERE!

HIDE, BILKO! TAKE COVER! I KNOW WHO THAT IS!

YOU DO, SIR? BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND--

CLUMP! CLUMP!

OH, SARGE! BOY, AM I GLAD TO BE BACK HERE SAFE!

DOBERMAN! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? AND WHAT'S THAT?

?

BOY, I JUST MADE IT, SARGE! SOME CRAZY GUY JUMPED ME AND NEARLY SCARED ME OUT OF MY SHOES--

CRAZY GUY?

CRAZY GUY?

LUCKY I WASN'T WEARING 'EM, SARGE! I TOOK OFF MY SHOES TO DO THAT JOB FOR YOU, AND GOT MY FEET CAUGHT IN THE PAINT BUCKET!

YES, DUANE, IT'S ALL RIGHT-- NOW IF YOU'LL JUST RUN--

?

I KNOW WHEN YOU SAID I SHOULD MAKE THOSE CRAZY FOOTPRINTS IN THE OFFICE, YOU DIDN'T SAY I SHOULD GET MY FEET CAUGHT IN THE CANS, BUT I COULDN'T HELP IT, SARGE--

ER--JOB, DOBERMAN? WHAT JOB? OH, THE COLONEL'S OFFICE? YOU MEAN YOU REMOVED THE TRASH FROM THE ROOM--

?

NO, SARGE, THE FOOTPRINTS! YOU KNOW! THE JOB YOU GOT ALL US GUYS TO DO TO MAKE THE OLD MAN THINK WE'RE SPIES!

?

GROAN!

WELL! SO THAT'S HOW IT WAS, EH?

COL. HALL, I ASSURE YOU THERE'S BEEN SOME MISTAKE! I CAN EXPLAIN--

UH OH--

COL. HALL! COL. HALL!

CAPT. LEWIS! WHAT IS IT?

YOU WERE RIGHT, COLONEL! THERE ARE SPIES! THOSE SAME TRACKS LEAD RIGHT FROM MY QUARTERS TO HERE!

AND HERE'S YOUR MAN! HE'S BEEN LEAVING TRACKS ALL OVER THE PLACE!

HEY! LEGGO!

SERGEANT BILKO

ER--I'M AFRAID THERE'S BEEN SOME SORT OF M STAKE, CAPTAIN! THIS--ER--SPY--IS ONE OF OUR OWN MEN-- PVT. DOBERMAN.'

ONE OF YOUR OWN MEN? BJT-- I DON'T UNDERSTAND--

IT'S QUITE EASY TO UNDERSTAND, CAPTAIN.' IT SEEMS WE HAVE A CERTA N SERGEANT ON THIS POST WHO--

HA-HA.' OH. PLEASE, SIR.' NO! I REFUSE TO TAKE ANY CREDIT FOR IT, SIR.' THE GLORY IS YOURS.'

GLORY? BUT--

AFTER ALL, SIR, IF THIS RED HERRING PLAN OF YOURS HELPS TO TIGHTEN SPY SECURITY FROM NOW ON, PRAISE IS DUE TO YOU, SIR, AND YOUR MATCHLESS DARING AND INGENUITY!

I M AFRAID I DON'T UNDER-STAND--

WHO CAN UNDERSTAND THE MIND AND MOTIVES OF A GENIUS.' YES, I SAID A GENIUS.' COL. HALL WOULD R.SK HIS REPUTATION F ONLY TO CONVINCE THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE THAT THEIR METHODS OF SPY HUNTING WERE OUTMODED!

?

AFTER ALL, HE DID FOOL YOU, SIR, WITH THAT SPY STORY, DIDN'T HE, SIR? THOSE FOOTPRINTS? THE TRACKS? HA-HA! OF COURSE! THE WORK OF A MASTER PLANNER, OUR NEXT GENERAL--

AHEM-- COUGH COUGH I--HEH-HEH...

HE'S RIGHT, COLONEL! FROM NOW ON, WITH THE MEN I TRAIN, I WILL USE THIS METHOD OF SPY INFILTRATION AS A TEST OF THEIR INGENUITY.'

YOU WILL? BUT--

AND YOU WILL SEE THAT THE COLONEL GETS CREDIT, SIR? CALL IT THE HALL PLAN, WON'T YOU?

AND SO...

IF YOU WOULD FORWARD US A COPY OF THAT PLAN, COL. HALL, THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC DEFENSE WOULD CERTAINLY USE IT!

PLAN? A COPY?

THE COLONEL IS MODEST, SIR. I'LL TALK HIM INTO IT.

CONFOUND IT, BILKO! YOU KNOW I HAVEN'T GOT ANY PLAN!

OF COURSE YOU HAVE, SIR. YOU'VE PROBABLY FORGOTTEN-- IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE, SIR. NOW IF I COULD BORROW YOUR SECRETARY, SGT. HOGAN, SIR--

WHERE WAS I? OH, YES. NEW PARAGRAPH. IN UNDERCOVER WORK, ONE MUST KNOW HOW TO PLANT CLUES THAT ARE NOT CLUES. IN THE JOHN HALL CLUE PLANTING METHOD, WE LEAVE NO STEPS TO GUESSWORK-- BY THE WAY, SGT. HOGAN, WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR TONIGHT?

OH, ERNIE! YOU'RE WONDERFUL!

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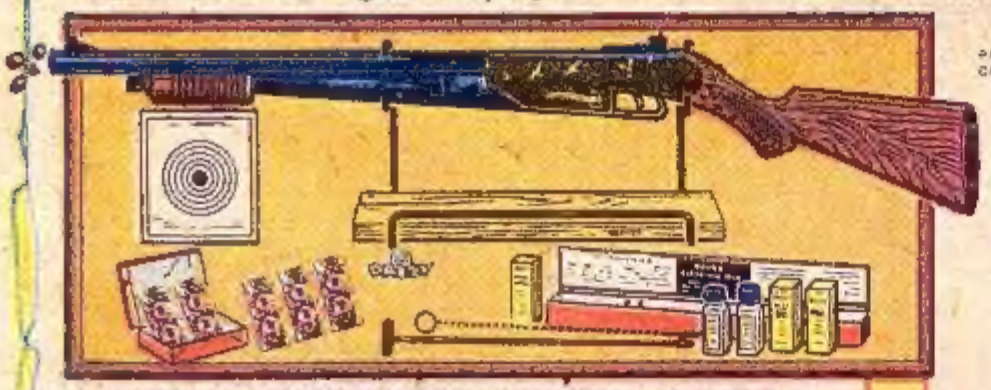

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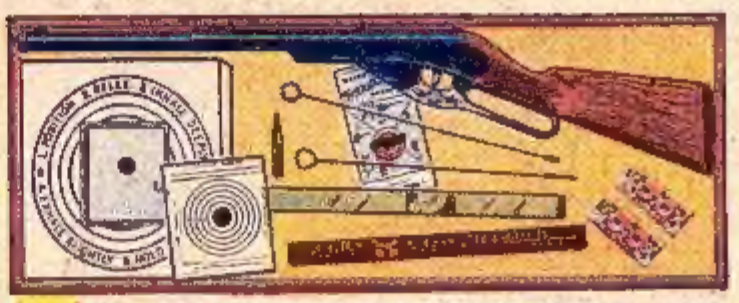

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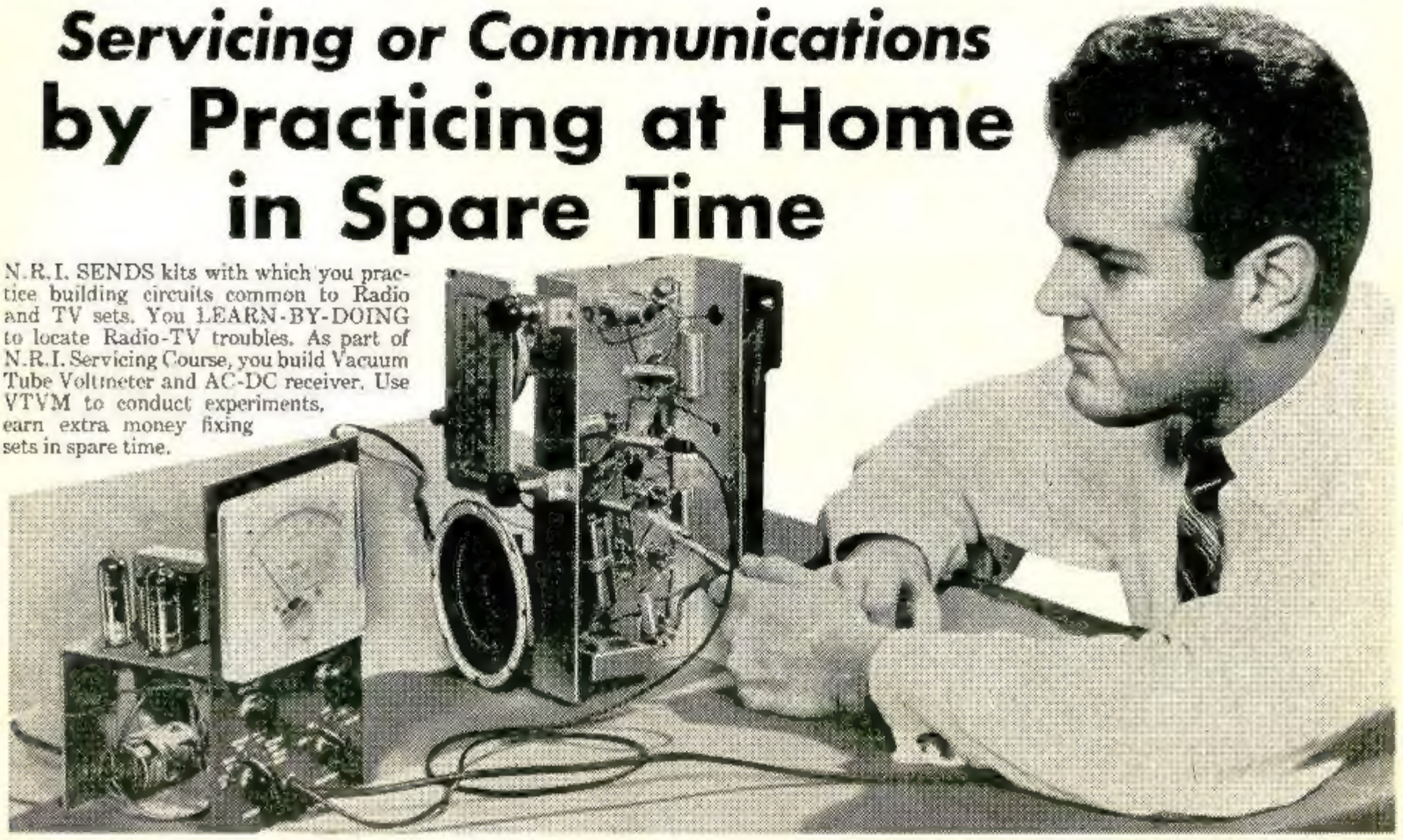

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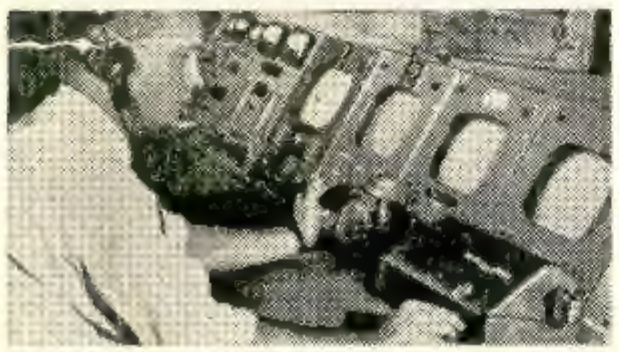

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